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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, IS, EG
SUBJECT: JERUSALEM POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING: GOI REVISED
AGENDA

MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL EVRON REQUESTS THAT FOLLOWING
LETTER FROM DAYAN BE DELIVERED TO KAMEL TODAY. LETTER
CONTAINS GOI COUNTER-PROPOSALS FOR JERUSALEM POLITICAL
COMMITTEE AGENDA. ORIGINAL BEING POUCHED FOR DELIVERY GOE/MFA.

QUOTE

H.E. MOHAMMED IBRAHIM KAEML
FOREIGN MINISTER
ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

1. I HAVE RECEIVED EGYPT'S SUGGESTIONS FOR THE AGENDA
OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE. WE ACCEPT THE INCLUSION OF
THREE OF THE ITEMS, (B.C.E.) SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING
PROPOSED CHANGES:

TWO OF THE ITEMS INCLUDED ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE TO US
(A.D.). IN THE FIRST PLACE I SHALL REFER TO THE
AMENDMENTS SUGGESTED BY US TO THE ITEMS THAT ARE
ACCEPTABLE (B.C.E.). WE SHALL THEN REFER TO THE
ITEMS THAT ARE UNACCEPTABLE AND TO OUR SUGGESTIONS.

2. YOUR PARAGRAPH C IS ACCEPTABLE TO US AND WE HAVE
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NO OBSERVATIONS IN THIS RESPECT.

3. THE WORDING OF ART. B IN YOUR SUGGESTED AGENDA
READS:- "B. GUARANTEEING THE TERRITORIAL INVIOABILITY
AND POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF EVERY STATE IN THE AREA
THROUGH MEASURES TO BE AGREED UPON BETWEEN THE PARTIES
ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLE OF RECIPROCITY." THE FIRST

PART OF THIS ITEM IS AN EXACT QUOTATION OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242 AND IS ACCEPTABLE. THE SECOND PART OF THIS ITEM IS AN ADDITION WHICH IS NOT INCLUDED IN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242. I THEREFORE SUGGEST TO REVERT TO THE EXACT WORDING OF RESOLUTION 242. OUR SUGGESTION IS TO FORMULATE ARTICLE B AS FOLLOWS:- "GUARANTEEING THE RIGHT OF ALL STATES IN THE AREA TO SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE."

4. WE DO AGREE IN PRINCIPLE TO ITEM E SUGGESTED BY YOU, BUT WE SUGGEST TO FORMULATE IT AS FOLLOWS: "TERMINATION OF ALL CLAIMS OR STATES OF BELLIGERENCY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS OF PEACE AMONG ALL THE STATES IN THE AREA THROUGH CONCLUSION OF PEACE TREATIES."

5. A) I TURN NOW TO THE TWO ITEMS IN YOUR PROPOSAL (A.D.) WHICH WE FIND UNACCEPTABLE. YOUR ARTICLE A READS:- "TERMINATION OF ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF THE ARAB TERRITORIES OCCUPIED SINCE 1967." NO SUCH LANGUAGE IS INCLUDED IN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242.

B) A SIMILAR PROPOSAL TO THAT IN ITEM A WAS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSAL FOR A DECLARATION ON INTENT THAT WAS SUBMITTED TO US IN ISMAILIA. YOU MAY RECALL THAT WE OPPOSED THIS SUGGESTION AND OUR RESERVATION CONFIDENTIAL

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WAS ACCEPTED BY PRESIDENT SADAT.

FOR THE ABOVE REASONS WE FIND ITEM A AS PROPOSED, UNACCEPTABLE.

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6. ITEM D FOR THE AGENDA REPEATS WORD FOR WORD ITEM 4 OF THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO US IN ISMAILIA. WE INFORMED YOU, ON THE SPOT, THAT THIS SUGGESTION WAS UNACCEPTABLE. WE SUGGESTED A NUMBER OF ALTERNATIVES FOR A JOINT FORMULA, BUT WE WERE UNABLE TO AGREE ON ANY OF THESE SUGGESTIONS. IT WAS THEN AGREED THAT EACH SIDE AFFIRMED ITS POSITION AND THE ISSUE WOULD BE DEALT WITH IN THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE. PRESIDENT SADAT MADE A DECLARATION TO THIS EFFECT AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE IN ISMAILIA. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE CANNOT AGREE THAT YOUR DEFINITION OF THE ISSUE BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF THE AGENDA OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE. MOREOVER, WE WOULD NOT SUGGEST THAT OUR DEFINITION BE ADOPTED AS OUR ITEM ON THE AGENDA. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING WORDING:- "DECLARATION CONCERNING THE ISSUE OF THE PALESTINIAN ARABS RESIDING IN JUDEA, SAMARIA AND THE GAZA DISTRICT."

7. FINALLY, I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE THAT THE CENTRAL ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE BE - "PEACE TREATIES". THIS WAS A PHRASE ACCEPTED BY PRESIDENT SADAT IN ISMAILIA. WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THIS ITEM WE WILL DEAL WITH ALL THE POLITICAL AND CIVILIAN ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM. WE THEREFORE PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING WORDING FOR THIS ITEM:-
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"CONTENTS OF THE PEACE TREATIES, INCLUDING POLITICAL AND CIVILIAN ISSUES, SUCH AS THE SETTLEMENTS IN SINAI."

8. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, WE ENCLOSE A COPY OF OUR PROPOSAL AS A WHOLE. THE ORDER OF PRIORITIES TO BE GIVEN TO THE DIFFERENT ITEMS OF THE AGENDA WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETINGS OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE. SINCERELY
YOURS, MOSHE DAYAN.

9. ISRAELI PROPOSAL

A. GUARANTEEING THE TERRITORIAL INVIOABILITY AND POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF EVERY STATE IN THE AREA, THROUGH MEASURES INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DEMILITARIZED ZONES.

B. GUARANTEEING THE RIGHT OF ALL STATES IN THE AREA TO SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE.

C. TERMINATION OF ALL CLAIMS OR STATES OF

BELLIGERENCY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS OF
PEACE AMONG ALL THE STATES IN THE AREA THROUGH CONCLUSION
OF PEACE TREATIES.

D. CONTENTS OF THE PEACE TREATIES, INCLUDING
POLITICAL AND CIVILIAN ISSUES, SUCH AS THE SETTLEMENTS
IN SINAI.

E. DECLARATION CONCERNING THE ISSUE OF THE
PALESTINIAN ARABS RESIDING IN JUDEA, SAMARIA AND THE
GAZA DISTRICT. END QUOTE
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